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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

re the application of:

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APPARATUS FOR LOCKING BENDING MECHANISM

THAT BENDS REFLEX TYPE WAVELENGTH

Examiner

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## RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 24, 2004

Dear Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Official action mailed February 24, 2004. The Official action set forth a three-month period for response, making this response due on or before May 24, 2004.

Please amend the above-identified application as set forth on the following pages.